

BERRIES

Blueberries: The 2005 season was a good year for Washington blueberry growers. Despite a reduction in yield, an increase in acreage found production 9 percent above the 2004 crop. Growers received an average 97.8 cents per pound in 2005, 8.9 cents per pound above 2004. There were 2,800 acres harvested in 2005, up 400 acres from 2004. Utilized production was 19.6 million pounds compared with 18.0 million pounds in 2004.

Cranberries: Cranberry growers harvested 1,700 acres in 2005, the same as 2004. Yield per acre averaged 110 barrels, which was 10 percent more than the previous year. Cranberry production in Washington then rose 10 percent from last year, and the value of Washington's cranberry crop, at \$6.83 million, was 13 percent above the 2004 value of \$6.06 million. The average price rose 0.9 cents per pound in 2005 to 36.5 cents per pound.

Red Raspberries: Harvested acres in 2005 were 9,500, up 500 acres from 2004. Yields, at an average 7,400 pounds per acre, was 12 percent more than in 2004. Utilized production, at 70.3 million pounds, increased 10.9 million pounds from the previous year. Prices slipped to 55.9 cents per pound in 2005 from 77.4 cents in 2004. The total value of Washington's red raspberry crop stood at \$39.3 million.

Strawberries: Washington harvested acreage in 2005 was 1,500, down 200 acres from 2004. Yield per acre averaged 10,000 pounds. Growers saw prices dip in 2005 to 46.3 cents per pound, 1.5 cents below 2004. Value of production fell from \$7.31 million in 2004 to \$6.94 million in 2005.

Berries: Acreage, Yield and Production, by Counties, Washington, 2004-2005

Crop and County	2004			2005		
	Harvested	Yield Per Harvested Acre	Utilized Production	Harvested	Yield Per Harvested Acre	Utilized Production
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>Pounds</i>
BLUEBERRIES						
Clark	300	5,000	1,500,000	(²)	(²)	(²)
Lewis	200	6,000	1,200,000	(²)	(²)	(²)
Skagit	700	8,000	5,600,000	(²)	(²)	(²)
Thurston	120	7,000	840,000	(²)	(²)	(²)
Whatcom	880	9,000	7,920,000	(²)	(²)	(²)
Other Counties ¹	200	4,700	940,000	(²)	(²)	(²)
TOTAL	2,400	7,500	18,000,000	2,800	7,000	19,600,000
RED RASPBERRIES						
Clark	700	5,000	3,500,000	(²)	(²)	(²)
Cowlitz	500	4,000	2,000,000	(²)	(²)	(²)
Pierce	200	4,000	800,000	(²)	(²)	(²)
Skagit	1,500	5,500	8,250,000	(²)	(²)	(²)
Whatcom	5,900	7,500	44,250,000	(²)	(²)	(²)
Other Counties ¹	200	3,000	600,000	(²)	(²)	(²)
TOTAL	9,000	6,600	59,400,000	9,500	7,400	70,300,000
STRAWBERRIES						
Clark	300	9,500	2,850,000	(²)	(²)	(²)
Pierce	100	8,000	800,000	(²)	(²)	(²)
Skagit	600	9,000	5,400,000	(²)	(²)	(²)
Whatcom	300	13,500	4,050,000	(²)	(²)	(²)
Other Counties ¹	400	5,500	2,200,000	(²)	(²)	(²)
TOTAL	1,700	9,000	15,300,000	1,500	10,000	15,000,000

¹ Other counties is a combination of counties that cannot be published. ² County estimates discontinued.

Berries: Acreage, Yield, Production, Price, and Value, Washington, 1996-2005

Crop/ Year	Area Harvested	Production			Marketing Year Average Price	Value of Production	Value Per Hvst. Acre
		Yield Per Acre ¹	Total	Utilized			
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Lbs.</i>	<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>	<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>	<i>Cents/Lb.</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
BLUEBERRIES							
1996	1,300	6,300	8,690	8,190	68.9	5,639	4,338
1997	1,300	6,700	8,710	8,710	89.2	7,769	5,976
1998	1,500	7,000	10,700	10,500	62.5	6,565	4,377
1999	1,600	6,800	11,080	10,880	72.0	7,833	4,896
2000	1,700	7,300	12,410	12,410	75.5	9,364	5,508
2001	2,000	7,500	15,550	15,000	77.9	11,688	5,844
2002	2,100	6,500	13,650	13,650	71.4	9,741	4,639
2003	2,200	6,000	13,200	13,200	91.4	12,068	5,485
2004	2,400	7,500	18,000	18,000	88.9	16,000	6,667
2005	2,800	7,000	19,600	19,600	97.8	19,160	6,843
CRANBERRIES							
1996	1,500	12,000	18,000	18,000	61.0	10,980	7,320
1997	1,500	11,000	16,500	16,500	55.7	9,191	6,127
1998	1,600	10,500	16,800	16,800	25.0	4,200	2,625
1999	1,600	9,190	14,700	14,700	11.8	1,737	1,086
2000	1,500	12,000	18,000	16,500	22.3	3,679	2,453
2001	1,600	8,880	14,200	13,600	28.2	3,838	2,399
2002	1,700	9,820	16,700	16,000	36.0	5,758	3,387
2003	1,700	11,180	19,000	19,000	35.2	6,691	3,936
2004	1,700	10,000	17,000	17,000	35.6	6,055	3,562
2005	1,700	11,000	18,700	18,700	36.5	6,827	4,016
RED RASPBERRIES							
1996	6,300	6,500	40,950	40,950	74.4	30,459	4,835
1997	8,500	7,000	66,300	59,500	47.1	28,020	3,296
1998	9,000	6,700	65,300	60,300	37.6	22,664	2,518
1999	9,500	7,300	71,350	69,350	69.6	48,291	5,083
2000	9,500	7,500	72,150	71,250	36.3	25,888	2,725
2001	9,500	7,900	76,050	75,050	50.3	37,784	3,977
2002	9,500	7,800	74,100	74,100	49.9	36,985	3,893
2003	9,200	7,300	67,700	67,200	54.4	36,554	3,973
2004	9,000	6,600	59,400	59,400	77.4	45,960	5,107
2005	9,500	7,400	70,300	70,300	55.9	39,275	4,134

See footnote(s) at end of table.

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Berries: Acreage, Yield, Production, Price, and Value, Washington, 1996-2005

Crop/ Year	Area Harv.	Production			Marketing Year Average Price	Value of Production	Value Per Harv. Acre
		Yield Per Acre ¹	Total	Utilized			
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Lbs.</i>	<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>	<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>	<i>Cents/Lb.</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>	<i>Dollars</i>
STRAWBERRIES							
1996	1,300	8,100	-	10,500	62.9	6,605	5,081
1997	1,400	6,500	-	9,100	49.7	4,520	3,229
1998	1,500	8,000	-	12,000	50.3	6,040	4,027
1999	1,500	8,000	-	12,000	61.4	7,368	4,912
2000	1,500	8,600	-	12,900	52.5	6,776	4,517
2001	1,600	10,000	-	16,000	43.4	6,944	4,340
2002	1,800	9,000	-	16,200	51.0	8,262	4,590
2003	1,800	9,000	-	16,200	52.1	8,436	4,687
2004	1,700	9,000	-	15,300	47.8	7,310	4,300
2005	1,500	10,000	-	15,000	46.3	6,940	4,627
OTHER BERRIES ²							
1996	215	-	-	1,290	-	748	3,479
1997	265	-	-	1,219	-	683	2,577
1998	300	-	-	1,440	-	936	3,120
1999	310	-	-	1,550	-	1,023	3,300
2000	270	-	-	1,890	-	1,032	3,822
2001	320	-	-	2,560	-	1,280	4,000
2002	510	-	-	3,264	-	1,632	3,200
2003	600	-	-	4,020	-	2,412	4,020
2004	600	-	-	5,434	-	2,289	3,815
2005	600	-	-	3,660	-	3,514	5,857
TOTAL BERRIES							
1996	10,615	-	-	78,930	-	54,431	5,128
1997	12,965	-	-	95,029	-	50,183	3,871
1998	13,900	-	-	101,040	-	40,405	2,907
1999	14,510	-	-	108,480	-	66,252	4,566
2000	14,470	-	-	114,950	-	46,739	3,230
2001	15,020	-	-	122,210	-	61,534	4,097
2002	15,610	-	-	123,214	-	62,378	3,996
2003	15,500	-	-	119,620	-	66,161	4,268
2004	15,400	-	-	115,134	-	77,614	5,040
2005	16,100	-	-	127,260	-	75,716	4,703

¹ Yield are based on utilized production except cranberries.

² "Other Berries" includes blackberries, black raspberries, boysenberries, loganberries and currants.